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HYPERSENSITIVE RESPONSE ELICITOR

FROM ERWINIA AMYLOVORA, ITS USE,

AND ENCODING GENE

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the March 22, 2002, office action, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 17-19 and 20-28 as follows:

17. (Twice Amended) An isolated hypersensitive response eliciting protein or polypeptide selected from the group consisting of a protein or polypeptide having an amino acid sequence comprising SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 4, and a protein or polypeptide having an amino acid sequence encoded by a nucleic acid whose full length complement hybridizes, at 65°C in a medium which includes IM NaCl, to a DNA molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.

(Amended) An isolated protein or polypeptide according to claim 17, 18. wherein the protein or polypeptide has an amino acid sequence comprising SEQ ID NO: 2 or SEQ ID NO: 4.

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